

Volunteer Coaches Code of Ethics & Conduct Agreement
Plymouth Parks & Recreation Department

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As a volunteer coach for Plymouth Parks & Recreation (PPR), I pledge to:

1. Create an environment in which all participants are involved with the activity.
2. Never physically, verbally or emotionally harm, hurt, humiliate or intimidate another participant, coach, parent or official. Refrain from showing frustration in the presence of players, parents, spectators, etc.
3. Refrain from use of profanity or language that is in bad taste.
4. Listen to and follow direction from program coordinators, PPR staff, and officials.
5. Communicate with participants, players, parents, spectators, and officials in a friendly and reasonable manner.
6. Respect all facilities, fields and equipment.
7. Create practices that are fun and challenging for all players.
8. Review and provide basic first aid and call 911, if needed. Be on the look-out for signs of any injuries while children are under my supervision.
9. Be knowledgeable of league rules and communicate them to my players and parents as needed.
10. Demonstrate and require fair play and sportsmanship from players at all times. Lead by example, demonstrating respect and class toward your opponent.
11. Provide an environment that is free from aggressive behavior, violence, drugs, tobacco, and alcohol.
12. Place the emotional and physical wellbeing of players ahead of a personal desire to win.
13. Treat each player as an individual, taking into account the large range of emotional and physical development for youth age groups.
14. Use only coaching techniques appropriate for the skill level and level of league competitiveness.
15. Always remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults.

If I cannot participate according to this Code of Conduct and/or league rules, then depending on the seriousness of the offense(s), I understand that any, or all, of the following disciplinary actions may occur:

- Verbal warning and written documentation
- Immediate removal from activity including facility
- Temporary suspension from participation including attendance at activity and/or facility
- Suspension from the activity and/or facility
- Indefinite expulsion from all activities and facilities

With my signature, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and will do my best to fulfill the promises made herein.

Printed name of Coach: _____ **Signature:** _____

Sport: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of P&R Director: _____ **Date:** _____